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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1869.

The Charitable and Correctional Institutions of Pennsylvania.

In March, 1868, a committee, consisting of Wilmer Worthington (the present Speaker of the Senate), Russell Errett, and J. P. Wickersham (Superintendent of Common Schools), was instructed by the State Senate to inquire into the expediency of establishing a Board of State Charities, and to report to the present Legislature.

The "let alone" policy which has hitherto prevailed has not been destitute of good fruits. The efforts of philanthropic citizens have done much to atone for the habitual neglect of the Commonwealth, and a host of useful institutions have been established and maintained by private contributions.

The absurd extent to which the system of decentralization, or of abnegation of the duty of the Commonwealth, is carried, is forcibly illustrated by the remark of the committee that "Pennsylvania has not a single charitable or correctional institution which is owned, controlled, and exclusively supported by the State."

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Bank shares were in good demand for investment at full prices. United at 53, 238 was bid for North America; 138 for Philadelphia; 123 for Farmers' and Mechanics; 67 for Commercial; 106 for Northern Liberties; 57 for Penn Township; 75 for Western; 31 for Manufacturers; 43 for Consolidation; and 67 for Cora Exchange.

Canal shares were dull. Lehigh Navigation sold at 31 1/2 @ 31 1/2, no change; 10 was bid for Schuylkill; Navigation common; 204 for preferred; do; and 124 for Susquehanna Canal.

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about 1000, leaving 2400 unprovided for, and well-ascertained facts show that the condition of hundreds of insane persons who are confined in poor-houses, jails, and private houses throughout the Commonwealth, is a disgrace to the civilization, and still more to the charity, of the age.

4. The Pennsylvania Institution for the Instruction of the Blind has proved useful and deserving of support, but its accommodations are insufficient, and the buildings are neither fire-proof nor well adapted to the purpose for which they are used.

5. The Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb receives a large portion of its income from the State, the sum of \$240 being paid for each indigent pupil, and the committee recommend that it should be removed into the country on account of its insufficient grounds and defective buildings.

6. The Training School for Feeble-Minded Children is comparatively a new institution. It contained in 1867, 177 pupils, of whom 110 were supported by the State at an annual expenditure per pupil of two hundred and fifty dollars.

7. Nothing important has yet been done, either by direct State or municipal authority, to provide proper houses of correction and employment, except that in Allegheny county a workhouse upon an improved plan, which is to cost \$400,000, is now being erected.

8. A number of "homes for the friendless" have been established by private efforts, and some of them are sustained in part by State appropriations.

The most beneficent work of which the State boasts is the establishment and maintenance of soldiers' orphans' schools and homes. The Commonwealth is now supporting 3500 soldiers' orphans, in forty different institutions, at an expense of nearly \$500,000 per annum.

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ONE GOVERNMENT FOR THE NORTH AMERICAN CONTINENT. A LECTURE ON THE ABOVE SUBJECT will be delivered by the HON. GEORGE CONNELL, AT CONCERT HALL, ON FRIDAY EVENING, Feb. 5, at 8 o'clock.

CONCERT HALL. MISS JONES' WEDDING—No Cards, ON THURSDAY EVENING, Feb. 4.

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF MUSIC. JAMES E. MURDOCH WILL READ, UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE MERCANTILE LIBRARY COMPANY, MONDAY EVENING, February 8, 1869, at 8 o'clock.

THE INAUIGATION BALL. The public expected. An Inauguration Ball; But General Grant says He don't care for it at all.

ROCKHILL & WILSON, GREAT BROWN HALL, No. 603 and 605 CHESTNUT STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

DIE FEINSTEIN MEUBEL. ARANGIERT IN DER GANZEN ETAGE FÜR DIE ANSICHT, TEFPEICH UND GARTIENEN ENBEGRIFFEN.

GEORGE J. HENKELS, MEUBEL FABRIKANT, THIRTEENTH AND CHESTNUT, PHILADELPHIA.

MICHAEL MEAGHER & CO., No. 223 South SIXTEENTH Street, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN PROVISIONS, OYSTERS, AND SAND CLAMS.

LARZELERE & BUCHEY, Custom House Brokers and Notaries Public, No. 405 LIBRARY Street.

DR. F. GIRARD, VETERINARY SURGEON, all diseases of horses and cattle, and all surgical operations, with efficient accommodations for horses at his Infirmary, No. 999 N. 11th Street, above Poplar.

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